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Rules and Regulations	)		
Implementing	)	CG Docket N	o. 02-278
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the Telephone Consumer	)		
Protection	)		

Act of 1991

Written Ex Parte Communication of Joe Shields on Chairman
O'Rielly's Claim that the Definition of Autodialer is Too
Broad and Sweeps in Cell Phones.

I hereby submit this written ex parte communication in opposition to Chairman O'Rielly's mistaken beleif that the current Commission definition of autodialer is too broad and erroneously sweeps in cell phones. Chairman O'Rielly is grossly misguided. Cell phones can and are being used as autodialers and the current definition of autodialer is accurate when it includes cell phones.

For example, I recently filed a complaint with the Commission where Dialing Services, a company cited and fined by the FCC<sup>1</sup>, where a cell phone was used to connect to the autodialer and set up an autodialed campaign.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See: In the Matter of Dialing Services LLC, FCC File Number EB-TCD-12-00001812, Citation DA 13-265, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013 and Notice of Apparent Liability, FCC 14-59, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

A little research would show Chairman O'Rielly just misquided he is. Α goggle search on autodialer" "SIM Dialer" results in or dozens  $\circ f$ applications that use turn a cell phone into an autodialer or use cell phone SIM cards to configure a computer to become an autodialer.

One of the Android autodialer apps is MobileCTI, which is sold through the google app store 2. On the google app store page it states that the MobileCTI app is capable of: "Sales/Campaign tool for making automated outbound calls". A screen capture of the google app store page is attached.

Another application that converts a cell phone to an autodialer is Call Center Pro<sup>3</sup> which states that one can: "Turn your Android device into a Mobile Call Center with the functionality to automate your campaigns." A screen capture of the mycallcenter app.com web page is attached.

I admit that the Commission got the definition of autodialer wrong. The TCPA is clear on what constitutes an autodialer. Due to the occurrence of two disjunctive prepositions "store or produce" in the sentence "to store or produce telephone numbers to be called, using a random or sequential number generator" the "...using a random or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.mobilepowerdialer&hl=en

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.mycallcenterapp.com/

sequential number generator." modifies only the production of numbers and not the preceding "storage" disjunctive.

"Under the 'rule of the last antecedent,' which provides that, where no contrary intention appears, a limiting clause or phrase should be read as modifying only the noun or phrase that it immediately follows..." Levy v. Receivables Performance Mgmt. LLC, --- F.Supp.2d---, 2013 WL 5310166 (E.D.N.Y. Sept. 23, 2013).

Thus, the capacity to store numbers <u>or</u> the capacity to produce numbers are two separate conditions. Either condition not both conditions combined properly defines the capacity of an autodialer.

Consequently, I respectfully request that Chairman O'Rielly do some research on cell phone autodialers before rejecting a definition of autodialer that sweeps in cell phones. Surely, Chairman O'Reilly must admit that cell phones today are mini computers that have the same capabilities of desktop computers that are used as autodialers.

Commissioner O'Rielly must not be naïve and allow himself to be deceived by the misrepresentations made by banks, debt collectors, health care providers, electricity providers, educational providers and their associations in their petitions and comments. These industries do not now

nor have they ever represented the interests of consumers.

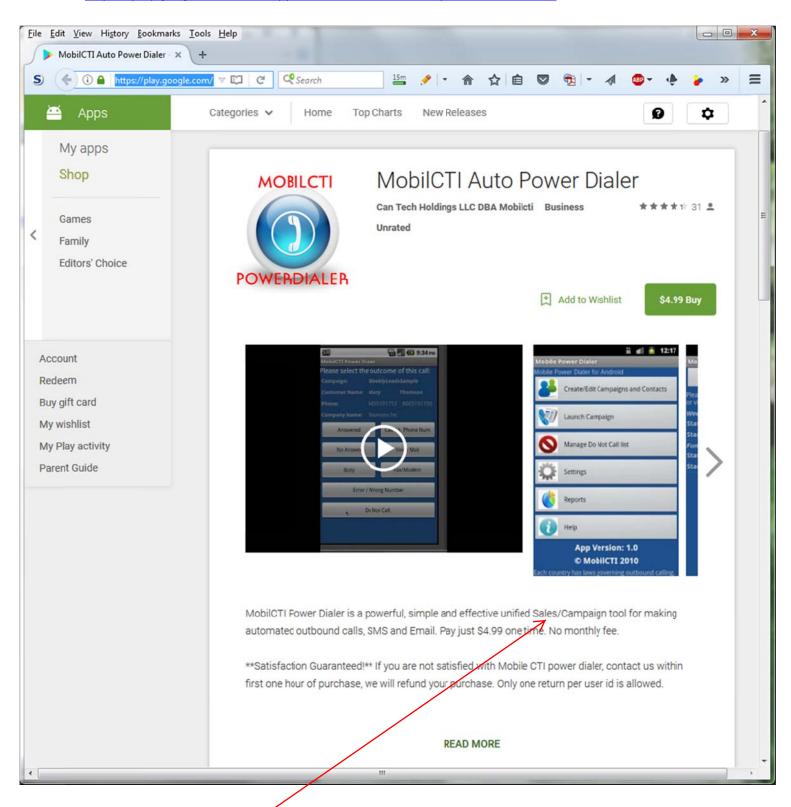
Their motives are for their own avaricious interests and not the interests of the consumer!

Respectfully submitted,

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